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For: NOVEL CRYSTALLINE FORMS OF TEGASEROD MALEATE

**ELECTION**

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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2006, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect **with traverse** Group I, claims 1-4 and 15-16 drawn to a crystalline Form I of a compound/composition of tegaserod maleate, and their processes of making.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.